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TAGS: EAIR, SA, VS

SUBJ: EGYPT AIR OVERFLIGHTS OF SOUTH VIETNAM

FOLLOWING SENT ACTION IMMEDIATE CAIRO AND JIDDA NOV 29
REPEATED FOR YOUR INFO.

QUOTE:

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REF: JIDDA 7004

1. FOREIGN MINISTER BAC HAS ASKED THAT YOU PASS FOLLOWING CONFIDENTIAL MESSAGE TO GVN AMBASSADOR DON, WHO UNACCOUNTABLY HAS NOT RESPONDED TO LAST THREE MESSAGES SENT BY FOREIGN MINISTRY ON SUBJECT. YOUR ASSISTANCE IN THIS MATTER IS DEEPLY APPRECIATED.

2. BEGIN TEXT CONFIDENTIAL AND URGENT. NO. 8646/C/MAE/TO/VP.

1. HIY ON NOV 25, 1974 FOLLOWING MESSAGE WAS
CABLED TO YOU BISTOPALINEA
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QUOTE HRY INFORM IMMEDIATELY RPT IMMEDIATELY SAUDI
MINISTRY FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF FOLLOWING BISTOP ALINEA

FURTHER TO REQUEST OF EGYPTIAN GOVERNMENT
PRESENTED TO GRVN BY ROYAL GOVERNMENT OF SAUDI ARABIA
WE ARE PLEASE TO ADVISE RGSA THAT GRVN AGREE TO
THAT REQUEST STOP EGYPTIAN COMMERCIAL AIRLINERS
ARE ALLOWED TO FLY OVER RVN'S TERRITORY THREE TIMES
A WEEK COMMA IN ACCORDANCE WITH INTERNATIONAL
REGULATIONS AND CUSTOMS CONCERNING CIVIL AVIATION
STOP THIS AUTHORIZATION SHALL BE EFFECTIVE STARTING
DECEMBER FIRST 1974 (12-1-74) RPT DECEMBER THE FIRST
1974 AND IS VALID FOR A SIX-MONTH PERIOD STOP IT CAN
BE RENEWED BY COMMON AGREEMENT STOP GRVN ASK
RGSA TO PLEASE SO INFORM GOVERNMENT OF EGYPT
STOPALINEA

IN YOUR TALK AT SAUDI FOREIGN MINISTRY PLEASE
STRESS AGAIN THAT OUR GOVERNMENT HAD TAKEN THIS
DECISION BECAUSE OF OUR HIGH ESTEEM FOR SAUDI ARABIA
AND TO SHOW OUR FRIENDSHIP TOWARD THE ARAB NATION

STOP DECISION WAS TAKEN DESPITE THE FACT THAT EGYPT
HAD RECOGNIZED VIETCONG AND HAD CONSISTENTLY VOTED
AGAINST RVN IN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES STOP IT IS
TO BE HOPED THAT FRIENDLY DECISION BY RVN IN THIS
MATTER WILL LEAD TO SOME REAPPRAISAL BY GOE OF ITS
VIETNAM POLICY AND A MORE IMPARTIAL ATTITUDE STOP
BUT YOU WILL JUST EXPRESS THIS HOPE AND NOT TURN IT
INTO A CONDITION STOPALINEA

PLEASE ACKNOWLEDGE THIS MESSAGE AND CARRY
OUT INSTRUCTIONS AT ONCE STOP VVBAC STOPEND UNQUOTE

2. GIVEN URGENCY AND IMPORTANCE THIS MATTER
I HAD REQUESTED YOU TO IMMEDIATELY ACKNOWLEDGE AND
CARRY OUT INSTRUCTION STOP HOWEVER MINISTRY GOT
NO REPLY THUS FAR STOP MEANTIME OUR DIRECTORATE
CIVIL AVIATION HAD CONTACTED EGYPTAIR FOR TECHNICAL
ARRANGEMENTS STOP ONCE MORE THERE'S RISK GOE BE
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INFORMED OF OUR DECISION BEFORE GSA STOPALINEA

3. PLEASE COMPLY IMMEDIATELY RPT IMMEDIATELY
WITH MY REQUEST IF THIS HAD NOT BEEN DONE ALREADY
AND ADVISE ME SOONEST EXACT TIME AND DATE OF
NOTIFICATION TO SAUDI GOVERNMENT STOP VUONGVANBAC
STOPEND END TEXT. SIGNED MARTIN
UNQUOTE.

MARTIN

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